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SUBJ: PRESS RELEASE ON EXIMBANK CREDIT TO MEXICO

FOLLOWING IS FINAL TEXT OF EXPORT-IMPORT BANK RELEASE ON THE DIRECT CREDIT OF \$24 MILLION TO MEXICANA DE COBRE S.A. RELEASE IS SCHEDULED FOR

ANNOUNCEMENT HERE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR A.M. PAPERS, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1975.

QUOTE: EXIMBANK CREDIT OF \$24 MILLION HELPS FINANCE \$80 MILLION SALE OF U.S. MINING EQUIPMENT TO MEXICO

TO SUPPORT AN \$80 NILLION SALE OF U.S. EQUIPMENT, RELATED MATERIALS AND SERVICES REQUIRED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION IN MEXICO OF AN OPEN PIT MINE, MILL, SMELTER, REFINERY, AND INFRASTRUCTURE TO PROCESS 60,000 METRIC TONS OF ORE PER DAY, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EXPORTUNCLASSIFIED

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IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES HAS AUTHORIZED A DIRECT CREDIT

OF \$24 MILLION TO FINANCE 30 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL U.S. COSTS, ACCORDING TO EXIMBANK'S CHAIRMAN WILLIAM J. CASEY. A CREDIT OF \$48 MILLION FROM PRIVATE SOURCES NOT YET DESIGNATEDWILL COVER 60 PER CENT OF THE U.S. COSTS. THE OBLIGOR, MEXICANA DE COBRE S.A. WILL MAKE CASH PAYMENT OF THE BALANCE OF THE U.S. COSTS OF 10 PERCENT OR \$80 MILLION

THE PROJECT IS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LA CARIDAD COPPER
DEPOSIT LOCATED NEAR NACOZARI, SONORA, MEXICO. THE PRODUCTION OF
145,000 METRIC TONS PER YEAR OF WIRE BARS IS EXPECTED. U.S.
PURCHASES WILL INCLUDE MINING, MILLING, SMELTING, AND REFINING
EQUIPMENT CONSISTING OF TRUCKS, DRILLS, DIESEL-ELECTRIC GENERATORS,
SHOVELS, CRANES, MOTOR GRADERS, TRACTORS, SCRAPERS, LOADERS, APRON
FEEDERS, CRUSHERS, BALL MILLS, CLASSIFIER CYCLONES, FLOATION
CELLS, SAMPLERS, THICKNERS, DRUM FILTERS, ROTARY DRYER, ROASTER,
MATTE PLUG MACHINE, CONVERTERS, ANODE CASTING MACHINE, ELECTROLYTIC
HEATERS, FORK LIFT TRUCKS, ANODE SPACER MACHINES, CATHODE WASHING
MACHINES, CATHODE STARTER SHEET FACILITIES, CATHOSE
CASTING MACHINE, BOILERS, AND POWER GENERATION EQUIPMENT. U.S. SUPPLIERS

HAVE NOT YET BEEN FIRMLY DESIGNATED.

THE LOAN ARE TO BE REPAID IN 12 SEMINNUAL INSTALLMENTS
BEGINNING AUGUST 10, 1978. EXIMBANK'S DIRECT CREDIT OF \$24 MILLION
WILL BE REPAID OUT OF THE LAST 4 INSTALLMENTS AT AN
ANNUAL INTEREST RATE OF 8 1/2 PERCENT PER ANNUM, WHICH WHEN BLENDED
WITH THE PORTION OF THE CREDIT FROM PRIVATE SOURCES RESULTS IN AN
ESTIMATED INTEREST COST TO THE BORROWER, BASED ON CURRENT RATES, OF
ABOUT 9.8 PERCENT TO 10 PERCENT PER ANNUM. REPAYMENT OF EXIMBANK'S
LOAN IS TO BE GUARANTEED BY NACIONAL FINANCIERA, S.A. UNQUOTE
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